

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1058
By Ferguson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Rebekah Jody Miller,
2004 Valedictorian of Rockwood High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Jody Miller is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Rockwood High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Rebekah Miller has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Rebekah has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, an active participant in extracurricular activities at Rockwood, Miss Miller has been a member of the Prom Committee, Homecoming Committee, Mathematics Tutor, Drama Club, Talented and Gifted Program, Math/Physics Team, Chemistry Team, Tennessee Math Competition, and Early Morning Seminary; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating an aptitude for leadership, Rebekah Miller has been County Executive and Register of Deeds for Student Government, President of Beta Club, Board of Directors member for Junior Civitan Club, Captain of Scholar's Bowl Team, Captain of the Science Bowl Team, Freshman Class President, Sophomore Class President, and Senior Class President; and

WHEREAS, a talented athlete, Rebekah Miller led the Varsity Tennis and Soccer squads as Team Captain; she has also been an essential member of the Women's Varsity Basketball and Softball teams; and

WHEREAS, Miss Miller's accomplishments and promise have been evident during her high school tenure, and she has received numerous local and statewide awards, such as the Civility Award for the Science Bowl Team, Third Place in the 2001-2002 Academic Festival for Chemistry Team, Second Place in the 2002-2003 Academic Festival for Chemistry Team, Rotary Youth Leadership Conference attendee, First Counselor Young Women's Class, National Honor Roll, *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen; and

WHEREAS, Miss Miller's many activities have extended beyond the classroom and into the surrounding community; she has been an active volunteer for Canned Food Drives, Clothing Drives, S.T.A.R.S. (Pregnancy Prevention Program), and Operation R.E.A.C.H.; and

WHEREAS, Rebekah Miller's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success, which includes plans to pursue a major in Pre-Medical or Biology at the University of Tennessee or at Brigham Young University; she hopes to eventually focus her studies on oncology; and

WHEREAS, Miss Miller's noteworthy achievements are a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Donald and Tamsin Miller, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Miller's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor 2004 Rockwood High School Valedictorian, Rebekah Jody Miller, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a successful and happy future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.